

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 671
By Brown

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Gina Thomas of
Hamilton County for her outstanding
accomplishments.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor
those exemplary young Tennesseans who have triumphed over adversity and achieved
extraordinary success; and

WHEREAS, Gina Thomas is one such notable individual who is most assuredly
deserving of special recognition for her noteworthy achievements; and

WHEREAS, Gina has been in foster care since October of 1996, and despite the
challenges she has faced throughout her young life, she consistently excels in the classroom,
as evidenced by her remarkable academic performance at Lookout Valley High School; and

WHEREAS, she is the recipient of the J.B. Robinson Award for achieving the highest
grade point average in her class; and

WHEREAS, Gina's outstanding academic achievements have earned her induction into
the Honor Society and *Who's Who Among American High School Students*; she also received
the Biology Award for her stellar efforts in biology; and

WHEREAS, an alternate selection for Girls State and active participant in STARS,
Students Taking A Right Stand, Miss Thomas also serves with acumen as captain of the
Lookout Valley High School Band; and

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WHEREAS, despite the many demands placed upon her, Gina Thomas is an employee of the K-Mart in East Ridge, where she is respected and admired by her peers; and

WHEREAS, Gina Thomas' dedication to excellence and pursuit of success are clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend Gina Thomas for her impressive accomplishments, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy and successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this General Assembly hereby expresses its pride in Gina by formally recognizing her as an outstanding young Tennessean.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to Gina with this final clause omitted from such copy.